

Re: bike lane activists are pushing elected official...

Subject: Re: bike lane activists are pushing elected officials this week... please contact Gil Cedillo
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On Sat, Jan 18, 2014 at 7:54 AM, Editor- Boulevard Sentinel <boulevardsentinel@gmail.com> wrote:

Fake bike activists have been given a phone script and an email script to blow up the mail boxes of local elected officials this week with fake pleas for an

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unsafe bike lane on North Figueroa that has already been voted down by the Neighborhood Councils of Highland Park, Cypress Park and Mt. Washington in favor of a SAFER bike lane plan down Ave. 64.

They already forced them in on Colorado Boulevard, and now are working on North Figueroa.

North Figueroa, where the city's own planners have found 30,000 cars a day travel this route, making it ineligible for this bike path according to their own guidelines.

Then there's the issue that Figueroa is a Class 2 Highway, making it illegal for a bike path.

The Highland Park Fire Station opposes this plan, the local police oppose this plan, and voters are against this plan.

Local businesses are against any plan to install bike lanes on Figueroa, where it is inappropriate and dangerous and has been proven to divert customers away from businesses on streets where these changes have taken place.

Bike lanes on York have lead to major congestion, an increase in vehicle accidents (ask the local business owners, the ones NOT relying on city art grants to survive), a delay in emergency response times and it has hurt the tax revenues of the city (one local owner cited a down turn to the tune of \$30,000 in lost taxes for the city) and has diverted vehicle traffic into residential streets (causing a danger to children & families). These are REAL results. Businesses on York are really going out of business due to these lane changes (Ask Italiano's, ask the barber shop owners).

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